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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) | Examiner: Jason S. Uhlenhake Group Art Unit: 2853 |
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| YOKO HIROSUGI, et al. |) | |
| Application No.: 10/766,870 | <u>;</u> | |
| Filed: January 30, 2004 |) | |
| For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING SAME AND INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD |) :) | Sentember 8, 2006 |

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2006 for one month from September 5, 2006 to October 5, 2006.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$120.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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